

# OFFICIAL LABOR PAPER INDORSES IRA ROBINSON

## WATSON AND CORNWELL BITTER FOES OF UNIONS

National Labor Journal, Organ of Organized Labor and Published in Pittsburgh, Unreservedly Indorses Judge Ira E. Robinson for Governor of West Virginia.

WATSONISM, RIDDLED FULL OF HOLES, FALLS TO PIECES

On the Other Hand, Robinson's Record is Scanned Page by Page and Organized Labor Finds Nothing to Condemn and Very Much to Praise, Declares Journal.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 2.—The following editorial will appear in Friday's issue of the National Labor Journal, official organ of organized labor of this district:

In the neighboring state of West Virginia, organized labor has aroused itself to the dangers to it involved in the candidacy of John J. Cornwell for governor. Cornwell, whose anti-union record and views are proven by his writings, his record as a state senator, and his corporation connections, has the backing of Clarence W. Watson, Democratic national committeeman from West Virginia. Mr. Watson is known in West Virginia as "union labor's bitterest enemy." He has for many years met all efforts to unionize his mines with force when necessary and it has frequently been necessary, it seems, with a long string of fatalities ensuing. Watsonism in West Virginia is paralleled only by the conditions which prevailed in Colorado mines.

Watsonism is under a terrific attack in the campaign now drawing to a close in West Virginia. The labor records of Watson and his candidate for governor have been held up to the light and riddled full of holes by a state fairly alive with courageous critics. Men are leaders in the attack who never dared to assert themselves before.

On the other hand, Judge Ira E. Robinson's labor record is such as to enthrall the friends of the labor movement. His record has been scanned page by page, and there hasn't been found a fault by committees of organized labor, but on the contrary much to praise. His dissenting opinion as a judge of the state court of appeals which was rendered in the spring of 1913, in which he held that the governor had not the right to try any civilian by court martial, attracted nation-wide attention. Judge Robinson is known among the miners of West Virginia as "the man who kept us out of the bullpens." This case grew out of the great Cabin Creek strike, where a military zone was established against striking miners.

We are herewith publishing a statement given to the press in West Virginia last week, signed by twenty leading union labor leaders, and which, according to reliable reports, turned the tide of voting sentiment overwhelmingly toward the candidacy of Judge Robinson.

Believing that it is vital to the best interests of the state that labor be fairly treated, and realizing that Democratic state government will be bitterly antagonistic to the best interests of labor and the public welfare in the state of West Virginia, we feel it our duty to call your attention to conditions that exist in the present campaign.

"As a citizen, county official of Taylor county and state senator, Judge Ira E. Robinson's treatment of labor was eminently fair; as a judge of the supreme court of appeals in his dissenting opinion in the now famous martial law case, he stood like a stone wall, not only in the interest of labor alone, but of liberty and justice. When Judge Robinson wrote his decision in the case against the bullpen he had no thought of being a candidate at the coming election. By that decision he proved that he was a true friend of human rights, in the very best sense of the word.

"The Democratic nominee for governor, John J. Cornwell, both as a public official and as a publicist, has been unfriendly to labor. Mr. Cornwell is being supported by men whose lives show them to be bitter, relentless foes of the laboring men—men like Clarence W. Watson, who directs the Consolidation Coal Company, of Fairmont, the largest operating company in West Virginia, operating approximately fifty-one coal mines—a man who will not allow a representative of labor to get across to men employed in or about the works, unless they pass the notorious wrecking crew, which can only be done, after being mutilated and beaten up.

"Again, men like Taylor Vinson, the notorious corporation lawyer of Huntington, whose record as chief corporation lobbyist before the West Virginia legislature is one of unrelenting antagonism to labor, have left their party to oppose Judge Robinson because of his own friendly record of labor, and to support John J. Cornwell because they believe he will be, if elected, a willing instrument in their hands in mutilation of constructive legislation and opposed to interests of the laboring man.

"Yet we find Watson, union labor's bitterest foe, in absolute and undisputed control of John J. Cornwell's candidacy, moving the Democratic headquarters, deposing chairmen and leading Cornwell around with a leash.

"Feeling as we do, we urge every man who believes in a square deal for the laboring man, to join in defeating this dangerous and vicious effort to prostitute government, and we earnestly urge every worker, regardless of partisan politics, to vote for Judge Ira E. Robinson, and thus prove labor does defend her friends and has a heart of gratitude.

This is a statement of the facts. The National Labor Journal has investigated them and vouches for them. If Messrs. Watson and Cornwell succeed in West Virginia next week, it is, indeed, hard to estimate just how grave a blow the labor movement in there will have dealt. A stunning and terrific one, if not a fatal one lasting many years.

Under such conditions, the duty of all friends of organized labor in West Virginia is plain. They should work and vote for Judge Robinson and against extension of the odious Watsonism by the election of Cornwell.

## MANY PARADES

Are to Be Held Saturday Night as Demonstrations in Favor of Hughes.

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—Colonel Charles H. Sherrill, who is in charge of the torchlight demonstration to be held here Saturday night when Charles E. Hughes will speak at Madison Square garden, announced Thursday that similar parades will be held simultaneously in the thirty-five cities where branches of the Business Men's League have been organized. The parade movement is under the auspices of the league.

## NEW HIGH RECORD.

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—United States Steel common shares sold at the new high record of 122½ shortly after the opening of Thursday's market, the stock being absorbed in large individual lots. This exceeds its previous maximum by half a point. It also passed the preferred stock, which sold at 122.

## BREAD IS HIGH.

HELENA, Mont., Nov. 2.—Bread sold today at fifteen cents a loaf or two for a quarter. The price had been ten cents or three for a quarter.

## WILSON TO SPEAK HERE.

L. O. Wilson, of Charleston, state librarian, will speak before the colored Hughes club at 8 o'clock Friday night in the auditorium of the Water street high school. The public is cordially invited to hear him.

## HUGHES SURE TO WIN SAYS F. H. HITCHCOCK

Ex-Chairman of the G. O. P. National Committee Sees 308 Electoral Votes.

NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—Frank H. Hitchcock, formerly chairman of the Republican national committee and a member of the advisory committee for the present campaign, has issued a prediction as to the outcome of the election, basing his conclusion on reports received from experienced political leaders in each one of the states concerned. The statement is as follows:

"Hughes will be elected on November 7. He will carry the following states, having an aggregate electoral vote of 308, or forty-two in excess of the required 266:

Maine	4
New Hampshire	4
Vermont	4
Massachusetts	18
Rhode Island	5
Connecticut	7
New York	45
New Jersey	14
Pennsylvania	38
Delaware	3
West Virginia	8
Indiana	15
Illinois	29
Michigan	15
Wisconsin	13
Minnesota	12
Iowa	12
North Dakota	5
South Dakota	7
Kansas	16
Wyoming	2
Idaho	4
Utah	4
New Mexico	2
Washington	7
Oregon	5
California	15
Total	308

"He will probably carry also:

Ohio	24
Nebraska	8

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## HUGHES BACK

In His Home State to Wind Up His Campaign for the Presidency.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Nov. 2.—Charles E. Hughes came back to his home state of New York Thursday to wind up his presidential campaign. His program Thursday carried him over the familiar campaigning ground from Batavia in the western section of the state, through central New York to Albany, where he will speak tonight.

## SAFE BLOW.

BRAIDWOOD, Ill., Nov. 2.—Four robbers blew the safe in the private bank of W. H. Odell and Company here Wednesday night and escaped in an automobile with \$6,000. The men cut all the wires leading into the little village and had made good their escape before aid could be summoned.

## BROOKS TO RESIGN AS POLICE CHIEF NOV. 15



HARRY L. BROOKS.

Harry L. Brooks, chief of police of Clarksville for eight and one-half years, announced Thursday morning that he would tender his resignation on November 15, and would leave soon after for Weirton, where he has accepted a position as welfare worker with the Phillips Sheet and Tinplate Company.

Mr. Brooks made the announcement following his return from Weirton, where he conferred with John C. Williams, assistant to the president, and other officials of the tinplate company.

The chief's position in Weirton will be a big one in every sense of the word. He will have charge of all the public improvements in the city, and will look out for the social betterment of the tinplate employees. He is well known to this city as a strong advocate of athletics, and he says that one of his first aims in his new position will be to construct a large gymnasium for the employees of the mill.

In announcing that he would resign, Mr. Brooks expressed deep regret at leaving his many friends here, but said that he was unable to refuse the offer of a much better position. Thousands of friends here will be sorry to learn that the chief is to leave, but all will no doubt be glad that he is going to a job which holds forth many more opportunities than that he now holds.

Harry L. Brooks first became identified with the local police department in 1901, when he was appointed a patrolman. He served the city in that capacity until the spring of 1908, when he was nominated for chief on the Republican ticket. He was elected by a big majority and has been re-elected every succeeding year, always by handsome majorities. This fact alone shows the esteem in which he is held by Clarkburgers. That the high plane of efficiency upon which he has conducted the local police department is recognized all over the state is evidenced by the fact that he has twice been elected president of the state association of police chiefs and peace officers, holding that high position at the present time.

## BRITISH TROOPS SUFFER REPULSE ON RIVER FRONT

### Our Next Sheriff



LOYD D. GRIFFIN, REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF

As the final lap of the campaign approaches, the candidacy of Lloyd D. Griffin for the office of sheriff looms up as one of the sure successes of the coming election.

Mr. Griffin is completing a thorough canvass of the county, and his modest and unassuming manner of presenting his claims has won him favor with the voters. His campaign has been very effective. Those who know him well are insisting that he is perhaps the best qualified candidate for sheriff the county has had in many years. His long experience as a clerk and later as assistant cashier of the West Virginia Bank of this city, is ample assurance of the skill and integrity with which the financial affairs of the sheriff's office will be conducted at his hands.

As a law officer and conservator of the peace, his character, training and habits of life are all that could be desired to insure a faithful execution of every duty of his office.

Lloyd Griffin has never been unfaithful to a single trust reposed in him. He will serve the people as faithfully and as honestly as, when an orphan boy he served his mother and sisters and brothers in the successful battle to keep the family from want in the fatherless home on a small Sardis district farm. His neighbors here and his old acquaintances in Sardis district believe in him. They know him.

When elected sheriff he will enter the office without a single political promise to embarrass him. His election will be a merited reward to plain, honest living, and will stamp with the approval of the people the old-fashioned American ideal—the country-bred boy's determination by faithful service to his tasks to acquire an honorable place in the business, social and political life of his community.

## FINAL PLANS MADE FOR GREAT PARADE

Pageant Will Move from the Square at Railroad Depot at 8 o'clock Saturday Night.

Promptly at 8 o'clock Saturday night the monster Republican parade will move forward from its forming place in the square in front of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad station, pass across the Fourth street bridge and then make its way through the principal streets of the city. The hour at which the parade is to start and other details were decided upon Wednesday evening at a meeting of the general working committee in the Hughes club headquarters on Second street.

Everything Ready.

Cuthbert A. Osborn, who is to be grand marshal of the pageant, has everything in readiness for the affair. Representatives of various local industrial plants and other organizations have told him just how many men and floats they would have in line, and Friday he will assign each body of men to its place in line.

The marshals of each organization will wear a red sash, hung over the right shoulder and tied at the waist. Automobile owners, who will have their cars in line, are asked to go to Glen Elk by way of the Sixth street bridge, as the foot marchers will be assembling in Fourth and Fifth streets. Car owners are asked to park their machines on Baltimore street, west of the depot, and on Sixth street, until the parade moves forward. This plan will avoid confusion and possible delay in getting started.

Reports made at Wednesday night's meeting of the committee indicated that the parade will outstrip by far any affair of its kind ever held in West Virginia. Workers in the glass plants, tin mills, potteries and other manufacturing establishments told the committee that their plants would be represented by large delegations.

Large Crowds Coming. From outlying towns came reports that each will send a large crowd.

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## DEUTSCHLAND

And Its Captain Are Centers of Activities of a Varied Nature in New London.

NEW LONDON, Conn., Nov. 2.—Activities of a varied nature centered about the German undersea merchantman Deutschland and its captain, Paul Koenig, today. While the crew buried themselves behind the barriers which hide the submarine from public view, prepared to dispose of the 700 tons of valuable cargo, customs officials and naval officers prepared for the inquiry to determine the status of the craft.

Captain Koenig refused a plea that he allow the public to view his craft. None but government or city officials might enter the enclosure, he said, and the restrictions that prevailed at Baltimore were placed in effect again.

## SIX AMERICANS

Lost When the Marina Goes Down According to Frost's Revised List.

LONDON, Nov. 2.—A telegram to the American embassy Thursday from Wesley Frost, American consul at Queenstown, states that the discrepancies in former reports, regarding the number of Americans on board the British steamship Marina and the names of those lost have now been cleared up.

In addition to the five Americans reported Wednesday as having been lost the name of Bude, given in earlier advices as Brue, is added to the list of dead. The name of Middletown, first reported lost, is now in the list of American survivors. These changes make the total number of Americans on board fifty-two, of whom six were lost.

But the French Gain Small Advantages in Two Sectors German Statement Says.

FORT VAUX EVACUATED

Russian Positions Stormed and Heavy Losses Are Inflicted by German Troops.

BERLIN, Nov. 2.—The British attempted to advance on the Somme front north of Courlette Wednesday but were repulsed, the war office announced Thursday. The French gained small advantages in the sectors of Lesbouffes and Rancourt.

Fort Vaux on the Verdun front has been evacuated by the Germans. General von Lindingen's troops on the eastern front Wednesday stormed Russian positions on the left bank of the Stokhod river. They inflicted heavy losses on the Russians, says the statement, and captured more than 1,500 men.

## NEW COMMANDER IS IN CHARGE IN GALICIA

LONDON, Nov. 2.—The wireless press has received a despatch from Bucharest saying that Lieutenant General Vladimir Sakharoff, commander of the Russian forces in Galicia, arrived in Bucharest today and will take command of the army in Dobruja.

Lieutenant General Sakharoff is rated as one of the ablest Russian commanders. He came into special prominence last summer during the Russian drive in Volhynia and Galicia, gaining a number of important successes over the Austrians before the Russian advance was halted.

## TEUTONS ARE PURSUED BY THE ROUMANIANS

BUCHAREST, Nov. 2.—Roumanian forces continue to pursue the retreating Austro-German troops to the west of the Jiu valley in Transylvania, according to the Roumanian official report issued Thursday. Teuton attacks, the statement adds, were repulsed after continued fighting in the Prahova valley and in the region of Dragoslavele, east of the river. A battle still is in progress.

## HUGHES

Tells His Audience That He is Entirely Confident of Campaign's Outcome.

BATAVIA, N. Y., Nov. 2.—Charles E. Hughes declared Thursday before an audience here that he is entirely confident of the result both in Ohio and Indiana.

"I have returned from a trip through Ohio and Indiana," he said, "with a profound sense of gratification and entire confidence with respect to the result in both states. In both Ohio and Indiana it is not exaggerating to say that I had receptions which perhaps exceeded those accorded to any other presidential candidate.

"That war, of course, as I said last night, not a tribute to me personally, but it was an indication of the deep interest the people are taking in the essential conditions of their prosperity and their satisfaction that there is a great united Republican party ready for service at this critical time.

"So far as promises go no one can exceed the promises of our opponents but we measure what they say with what they have done." Mr. Hughes then reiterated the policies which he intends to follow if elected.

## SENATOR BORAH

Feels So Much Improved That He Will Resume His Speaking Tour.

CHICAGO, Nov. 2.—United States Senator William E. Borah, of Idaho, who was taken ill at Fond du Lac, Wis., several days ago, while campaigning for the Republican national ticket, and compelled to cancel his speaking engagements, arrived in Chicago Thursday and said he felt so much improved in health that he expected to resume his tour after a day's rest. Senator Borah closes his speaking campaign with an address at Charleston Monday night.

## ARTILLERY ACTIVE

LONDON, Nov. 2.—"On the Italian front the artillery on both sides has been active," says Thursday's official statement from the Macedonian front. "Janes station was bombed Wednesday by hostile aircraft. No damage was done."

## REPORTS FAIL

BERLIN, Nov. 2.—Reports of the Roumanians to force back Austro-German troops which have invaded their country failed Wednesday, the war office announced. Southeast of Rotherburg near the frontiers are making further progress.